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Come on, Mr. Martin, didn't congress mandate that the RBOC's must share their local monopolies to get into long distance?

Seems fair enough until you consider that the RBOC's have done nothing but stall, litigate and lobby to prevent picking up their end of the stick.

I know the line from the RBOC's is that they are imperiled by having to subsidize their competition.

It's hard to imagine how sharing at the RBOC's proposed rates is subsidizing (or even sharing). I remind you that the public telephone system was gifted to the RBOC's when Ma Bell was broken up. The mandated rates for competitors should reflect this. I insist that you work towards feasible, mandated broadband linesharing.

Additionally, the FCC overhang has been an ongoing disaster for millions of consumers who want broadband at reasonable prices. (Perhaps your appeals should be heard by a court outside of DC).

At the very least, please mandate that naked (dry) dsl lines be made available to consumers by the RBOC's.

Respectfully,

an unhappy consumer:

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